

## House Resolution No. 3487

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize Lafayette Industries in Manchester, Missouri, which will celebrate the dedication of its new expanded facility by hosting an Open House on June 25, 2004, at their new state of the art facility; and

**Whereas**, Lafayette Industries is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing employment for developmentally disabled adults; and

**Whereas**, the \$3 million expansion includes a 20,000 square foot warehouse with the ability to store more than 2,100 pallets, along with new offices, remodeled bathrooms, and a new lunchroom to better accommodate Lafayette's sheltered employees; and

**Whereas**, the year-long project, designed by Fru-Con Engineering and built by C. Rallo Contracting Company, Inc., was made possible by the generous efforts of private donors through Lafayette's "Building Dreams, Creating Opportunities" capital campaign, the Productive Living Board funded by St. Louis County taxpayers, and Neighborhood Assistance Program tax credits from the Missouri Department of Economic Development; and

**Whereas**, with this expansion, Lafayette Industries will be able to hire up to 28 more adults with disabilities and increase its business volume; and

**Whereas**, established in 1976, Lafayette Industries has provided persons with disabilities an opportunity to establish good work habits while providing on-time retail packaging to customers across the country; and

**Whereas**, Lafayette Industries has grown to provide employment to more than 300 sheltered employees at its two locations in Manchester and Berkeley, and specializes in high speed shrink-wrapping, assembly, mailing, cartoning, and blister and skin packaging:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to all those dedicated individuals affiliated with Lafayette Industries at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Lafayette Industries in Manchester, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Charles R. Portwood  
District No. 92

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3487, adopted June 25, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker